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pentosans, hydrocolloids, and mixtures thereof, and said encapsulant comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of enzymes, vitamins, micronutrients, and live microorganisms.--

REMARKS

Support for new claims 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35 is provided, for example, at page 7 lines 9-25, page 8 line 9 through page 9 line 11, page 10 line 17 to page 13 line 18, page 16 lines 20-26, and original claim 1. Support for new claim 36 is provided, for example, at page 25, first full paragraph, and original claim 2. Support for new claim 37 may be found, for example, at page 11, lines 23-24, and page 16 lines 20-26. New claim 38 is supported, for example, at page 24 lines 4-7, and original claim 10. Support for new claim 39 is provided, for example, in the paragraph bridging pages 7 and 8, page 16 line 20 through page 17 line 12, page 31 lines 5-7, and original claim 14. Exemplary support for new claim 40 may be found at page 15 first full paragraph, and original claim 16. Support for new claims 41-46 is found, for example, at page 10 line 17 through page 13 line 18, page 15 first full paragraph, page 30 line 23 through page 31 line 18, and original claims 1 and 14. No new matter has been introduced. Upon entry of this amendment, the claims in the case will be 1-46.

A check in the amount of \$540.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the additional claims.

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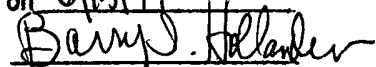
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